

City of Rock Falls

Utility Committee Meeting Minutes

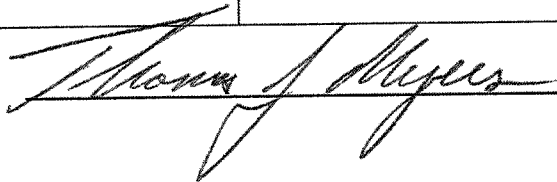
Date: 6/22/2026 Time Meeting Started: 8:15 am Time Meeting Ended: 9:20 am

Members		Also Attended	
Tom Myers - Chairman	X	Ted Padilla	A
Alderperson Searing	X	Shae Smith	X
Alderperson Wangelin	A	Matt Trotter	A
Alderperson Dowd - Vice Chairman	X	Larry Hanrahan	X
Mayor Kleckler	X	Diane Shepherd	X
Shane Brown	X	Administrator Blackert	X
Ed Cox	A	Matt Cole - City Attorney	X
		Jenna Kuster	X
		Asst Administrator McKanna	X
		Dave Miller	X
		Andrew Tribley	X

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
CALL TO ORDER	With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 8:15 am	Meeting begin at 8:15 am
Appointments	To appoint Alderperson Mark Searing to Utility Committee. Tom Myers made the motion with a second by Alderperson Dowd.	No Action
Re-Appoint of Utility Committee	Re-Appoint Shane Brown to Utility Committee to serve a 5-year term expiring April 30, 2031. A motion was made by Tom Myers and a second by Alderperson Dowd.	No Action
Election of Chair	Tom Myers was voted as chair by Shane Brown and a second by Alderperson Dowd.	No Action
Election of Vice Chair	Alderperson Steve Dowd was voted for vice chair by Shane Brown and a second by Tom Myers	No Action
Review of Minutes from April 27, 2026 Meeting	A motion was made by Tom Myers and a second by Alderperson Dowd to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2026 meeting.	Motion carried, minutes approved
Utility Office: Superintendent Update	None	No Action
Utility Office: Sewer Credit Policy	Jenna Kuster talked about the new sewer adjustment policy. A motion was made by Shane Brown and second by Alderperson Searing and forward to City Council for approval.	Motion Carried to City Council
Water Department: Superintendent Update	- Andrew Tribley reported that Love's water is on and running. - Ted will be back at the beginning of July from Surgery.	No Action
Water Department: IEPA Loan on Water Plant	Gabriella McKenna reviewed IEPA loan award of \$1,498,000 for work to be done to the Rock Falls Water Plant with a 27% (\$406,460) principal forgiveness, with the remaining balance of \$1,093,540 to be paid back with an interest rate of 1.62%. The loan for the water plan improvements, totaling \$1,498,000 with	Motion carried, to City Council

	27% forgiveness, will be paid back for 20 years. A motion was made by Alderperson Dowd and a second by Alderperson Searing and forward to City Council for approval.	
Water Department: IEPA Loan Galvanized Service Line Work	Gabriella McKenna reviewed IEPA loan award of \$3,218,000.00 for the replacement of 335 galvanized service lines requiring replacement, with 80% (\$2,574,400.00) principal forgiveness, with remaining balance of \$643,600.00 to be paid back with an interest rate of 0.00%. The loan for galvanized line replacement, totaling \$3,218,000.00 with 80% forgiveness, will be paid back over 30 years. A motion was made by Shane	Motion carried, to City Council
Wastewater Department: Superintendent Update	- Shae Smith reported on current projects - Working on sink holes - Working on PLC and server upgrades with William and Mary Computer	No Action
Electric Department: Superintendent Update	- Larry Hanrahan reported Love's has electric turned on. - AMI meter changeouts are almost done (approximately 9 to go) - Hydro contractors are in town and working - Larry reported on some outages caused by storms and animals - Kirby Cable is in town working on Riverdale project	No Action
Electric Department: Maintenance Testing Ave A Substation	Larry Hanrahan reviewed quote from Quad Testing for maintenance testing of Ave A in the amount of \$79,426.00 a motion was made by Tom Myers and a second by Alderperson Dowd to approve Quad Testing, 15941 S. Harlem Ave #222, Tinley Park, IL 60477 for maintenance testing of Ave A in the amount of \$79,426.00 and forward to City Council for approval.	Motion carried, to City Council
Electric Department: Messko Breather at Centennial Park Substation	Larry Hanrahan reviewed a quote from Quad Testing for installation and testing of one Messko Breather at the Centennial Park Substation in the amount of \$14,100.00. A motion was made by Alderperson Dowd and second by Alderperson Searing to approve Quad Testing, 15941 S. Harlem Ave #222, Tinley Park, IL 60477 for installation and testing of one Messko Breather at the Centennial Park Substation in the amount of \$14,100.00 and forward to City Council for approval.	Motion carried, to City Council
Electric Department: Inertiaire Dry Nitrogen Regulation System at Centennial Park Substation	Larry Hanrahan reviewed a quote from Quad Testing for installation of one Inertiaire dry nitrogen regulation system at the Centennial Park Substation in the amount of \$29,850.00. A motion was made by Alderperson Searing and a second by Shane Brown to waive bidding. A motion was made by Shane Brown and Alderperson Dowd to approve the purchase and installation of one Inertiaire dry nitrogen regulation system at the Centennial Park Substation from Quad Testing 15941 S. Harlem Ave #222, Tinley Park, IL 60477 in the amount of \$29,850.00 and forward to City Council for approval.	Motion carried, to City Council
Electric Department: Replacement Centennial Park Transformer Load Tap	Larry Hanrahan reviewed the quote from Quad Testing for replacement of the Centennial Park transformer load tap changer in the amount of \$241,332.00. A motion was made to waive bidding and to approve purchase by Shane Brown and Alderperson Searing to approve replacement of the Centennial Park transformer load tap changer in the amount of \$241,332.00	Motion carried, to City Council

	from Quad Testing 15941 S. Harlem Ave #222, Tinley Park, IL 60477 and forward to City Council for approval.	
Electric Department: South 14 th Ave Substation Drawings	Larry Hanrahan reviewed quote from PSE for updating all South 14th Avenue Substation drawings in the amount of \$27,00.00. A motion was made by Alderperson Dowd and a second by Tom Myers to approve PSE 2424 Rimrock Road, Suite 300, Madison, WI 53713 in the amount of \$27,00.00 for updating all South 14th Ave Substation drawings and forward to City Council for approval	Motion carried, to City Council
City Attorney: Updates	Gave an update of Rock Falls Apartments.	No Action
Utility Manager: Updates	None	No Action
Committee Member Items	Shane Brown asked the Committee if there could be more education	No Action
Next Meeting Date & Time	The next meeting will be held on July 27, 2026 at 8:15 am in Council Chambers.	No Action
Adjournment	With nothing else for the good of the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 am	Meeting ends at 9:20 am



Committee Chairman